

MEMO

TO: Energy & Environment Committee
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SUBJECT: SCAG Environmental Justice Advisory Committee

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SUMMARY:

At the direction of the SCAG Regional Council, staff is convening an Environmental Justice Advisory Committee to advise SCAG on matters related to environmental justice.

BACKGROUND:

Among Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), SCAG has a well-developed and well-regarded environmental justice program. The program has been particularly strengthened during development of the 1998 and 2001 Regional Transportation Plans (RTP), and our work in the 2001 RTP was published by the Transportation Research Board. In 2000, staff developed a SCAG environmental justice policy and procedure document.

In developing SCAG's EJ program, staff has referred to best practices at other MPOs. Some MPOs have successfully worked with EJ advisory committees consisting of members of the public representing advocacy groups, academics, and others with an interest in EJ. Staff has proposed, and the Regional Council has directed, that staff convene an environmental justice advisory group to advise SCAG on matters relating to environmental justice. In particular, the Advisory Committee would be expected to provide feedback to SCAG on the further development of SCAG's EJ program and policy, on the analysis of the benefits and burdens of the 2004 RTP, and on associated public outreach to EJ communities. A list of potential members of the advisory committee is attached for your information.

Potential Members of SCAG Environmental Justice Staff Advisory Committee
for SCAG 2004 Regional Transportation Plan & associated processes

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	Organization	Possible Contact Person
1	Access Services (LA County)	Dawn Meier
2	Alameda Corridor Jobs Coalition	Benetta Johnson
3	American Association of Retired Persons	(need contact)
4	Asian Pacific Policy and Planning Council	(need contact)
5	CA Center for Border and Regional Studies (Imp. Co.)	Kimberly Collins
6	CA League of Conservation Voters Education Fund	Luis Cabrales
7	Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles	Tom Chabolla
8	Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice (Riverside)	Penny Newman
9	Coalition for Clean Air	Tim Carmichael
10	Communities for a Better Environment	Bahram Fazeli
11	Concerned Citizens of South Central LA	Melody Dove
12	Environmental Defense (EJ Project Office)	Jerilyn Lopez Mendoza
13	Inland Empire Economic Partnership	Teri Ooms
14	LAX Expansion No	Cecil Carpio
15	Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles	Malcolm Carson
16	Liberty Hill Foundation	Torie Osborn
17	Livable Places	Beth Steckler
18	Latin Business Association	(need contact)
19	Los Angeles Urban League	Lynne Joy Rogers
20	Muslim Public Affairs Council	(need contact)
21	Occidental College	Bob Gottlieb
22	Physicians for Social Responsibility	Marta Arguello, Gilbert Estrada
23	Regional Civic Alliance of Ventura Cty	Lyle Wray
24	Southern CA Transit Advocates	Dana Gabbard
25	Southern California Association of Non-Profit Housing	(need contact)
26	Southern California Council on Environment & Development (SCCED)	Jim Stewart
27	Southern California Transportation & Land Use Coalition	Katherine Perez
28	Tree People	Andy Lipkis
29	UCLA – Lewis Center for Regional Policy Studies	Paul Ong
30	UCLA – Labor Occupational Safety & Health Program	Marianne Brown
31	USC – Southern California Environmental Health Sciences Center, Keck School of Medicine	Andrea Hricko
32	USC – Sustainable Cities Program	Jennifer Wolch
33	Women's Transportation Coalition	Annette Colfax

34	Fort Yuma Reservation (Quechan Tribal Council)	The Honorable Mike Jackson, Sr., President
35	Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians	The Honorable Richard Milanovich, Chairman
36	Augustine Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Mary Ann Martin, Chairperson
37	Cabazon Tribal Business Committee	The Honorable John A. James, Chairman
38	Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Eugenia Nogales, Chairman
39	Colorado River Reservation	The Honorable Daniel Eddy, Jr., Chairman
40	Morongo Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Maurice Lyons, Chairperson
41	Pechanga Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Mark Macarro, Spokesman
42	Ramona Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Manuel Hamilton, Representative
43	Santa Rosa Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Christina Arzate, Spokesperson
44	Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians	The Honorable Robert Salgado, Sr., Spokesman
45	Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians	The Honorable Raymond Torres, Chairperson
46	Chemehuevi Reservation (pronounce cheme wave)	The Honorable Edward Smith, Chairperson
47	Fort Mojave Indian Tribe	The Honorable Nora McDowell, Chairperson
48	San Manuel Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Deron Marquez, Chairman
49	Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians	The Honorable Dean Mike, Chairman